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***SENATE
CONCURRENT RESOLUTION
No. 644***

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Secretary

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A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION COMMENDING AND CONGRATULATING KEEP RIDGELAND BEAUTIFUL UPON WINNING THE NATIONAL WILLIAM NASH AWARD.

WHEREAS, on February 1, 2016, Keep America Beautiful's National Conference was held in Orlando, Florida, during which the organization honored its Mississippi affiliate Keep Ridgeland Beautiful with the William Nash Award for its successful implementation of the Keep America Beautiful system; and

WHEREAS, among their many successful endeavors Keep Ridgeland Beautiful hosted the 2015 Keep Mississippi Beautiful's Great American Cleanup State Kickoff, where volunteers turned Midway Park into a jewel of the community; and

WHEREAS, the park construction and restoration required assistance from many volunteers, including students from the Olde Towne Middle School Technology Student Association, who designed, documented, and built a pergola for the park, one of the many treasures now found within Midway Park; and

WHEREAS, for their tireless work and commitment, the students of Olde Towne Middle School received the Youth Project Award, a

token for making their community a more friendly and pleasant place to live; and

WHEREAS, inspired by this success, Keep Ridgeland Beautiful undertook great effort to revitalize Friendship Park, a 40-year-old park that is now a focal point of the community; and

WHEREAS, Keep Ridgeland Beautiful also hosted their own "Don't Flick it or You'll Get a Ticket" campaign, aimed at stifling the litter associated with discarded cigarette waste, where volunteers also planted flowers along the city's bike trails; and

WHEREAS, Keep Ridgeland Beautiful is also an active participant in local schools; committed to a sustainable future, it played a vital role in helping Ridgeland High School establish a recycling plan; and

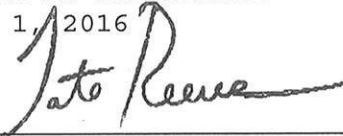
WHEREAS, Keep America Beautiful's William Nash Award recognizes Keep America Beautiful affiliates, founded within the last three years, for their outstanding achievements in implementing the Keep America Beautiful system in their respective community; and

WHEREAS, it is with great pride that we join this national civic organization in countless hours of service and tireless dedication which serve as an example for every Mississippian to live life mindful of how they can make their community and state a nicer place to live:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING THEREIN, That we do hereby commend and congratulate Keep Ridgeland Beautiful upon winning the William Nash Award, and extend our best wishes to the City of Ridgeland on this high honor.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That this resolution be presented to Mayor Gene F. McGee and made available to the members of the Capitol Press Corps.

ADOPTED BY THE SENATE
April 1, 2016



PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE

ADOPTED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
April 7, 2016



SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES